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TO: All County Medical Services Program (CMSP) County
Welfare Directors

SUBJECT: Clarification of Methodology for Vehicle Determination of
Value

The purpose of this letter is to transmit recent clarifications to the methodology for determination of value of vehicles. On October 26, 2000, the CMSP Governing Board voted to clarify the method of determining the value of a vehicle. CMSP's policy for vehicle valuation will be to exempt one vehicle, and use the Department of Motor Vehicle's (DMV) vehicle license fee for valuing the non-exempt vehicle. If the client disagrees with the vehicle valuation of the non-exempt vehicle, one of the following methods will be used for vehicle valuation: Kelley Blue Book, National Auto Dealers Association (NADA), or one appraisal, from a disinterested, knowledgeable source.

Effective December 1, 2000, counties will use this method to determine the value of a non-exempt vehicle.

Enclosed with this letter is the replacement CMSP Eligibility Manual page, which reflects these clarifications.

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If you have any questions concerning these clarifications, please direct them to Ms. Tina Thomas, in the CMSP Unit, at (916) 327-4842.


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exempt when other individuals use the vehicle to meet the transportation needs of the applicant or beneficiary.

- (b) The net market value of all nonexempt motor vehicles shall be included in the property reserve.

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- (c) The net market value of a motor vehicle shall be determined by the following process:

Determine the class of the motor vehicle.

Determine the vehicle license fee which does not include registration or weight fees, using the class and the State Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) License fee chart.

Multiply the vehicle license fee by 50. This is the market value of the motor vehicle.

Subtract any encumbrances of record from the market value. This is the net market value.

- (d) In those cases where the class of the motor vehicle is unknown or unavailable, the county department or the applicant or beneficiary shall contact the DMV to determine the class or license fee of the motor vehicle.

- (e) In those cases where the applicant or beneficiary does not agree with the net market value, one of the following methods will be used for vehicle valuation:

Kelley Blue Book;

National Auto Dealers Association (NADA); or

One appraisal from a disinterested, knowledgeable source.

7-048. Boats, Campers, Trailers

Boats, campers and trailers shall be considered as property.